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	An Amendment Supplemental to the Paper filed .					
	A Substitute Specification (pages 1 -) in clean form.					
	A substitute specification (pages 1 -) with markings.					
	An Abstract is enclosed.					
	replacement sheets of drawings are enclosed comprising figures .					
	Request is hereby made to accept black and white photograph(s) in this case, as they are the only practicable medium for illustrating the claimed invention. One (1) set of black and white photographs comprising figure(s) is submitted herewith.					

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	Applicant(s) has previously claimed small entity status under 37 CFR § 1.27.					
	Applicant(s) by its/their undersigned attorney, claims small entity status under 37 CFR § 1.27 as					
	This application is no longer entitled to small entity status. It is requested that this be noted in the files of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.					

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The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.

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